



**MRS. ROBERT E. MOFFITT**  
New President  
(Seeman Portrait)

## Woman's Club Elects Officers for 1967-68

Mrs. Robert E. Moffitt, 2724 Arlington, was elected to the presidency of the Torrance Woman's Club at its potluck luncheon meeting Wednesday at the clubhouse.

The new president, a resident of Torrance for the past 24 years, has been a member of the club since 1956. She served as its president in 1957-58 and was Marina District Scholarship chairman for three years. She is currently club scholarship chairman.

Mrs. Moffitt has held the presidencies of the Torrance Elementary PTA and the Torrance High School PTA. She is active in the Auxiliary to the Torrance Fire Dept., and has held the presidency of the Arts and Crafts Club.

Mr. Moffitt has been an employee of the Torrance Fire Department for 24 years. They have two sons, John of Torrance, and Robin of Fort Gordon. The Moffitts are members of the First Methodist Church in Torrance.

Elected to serve with her during the 1967-68 club year were Mmes. John Tweedy, first vice president; Robert Winship, second vice president; and Fred Sandstrom third vice president.

Others were Mmes F. M. Shaw, recording secretary; Lee Stamps, corresponding secretary; William Faulds, treasurer; James Wilkes, auditor; Bruce Marsh, ways and means; W. C. Moyer, reservations; Richard Dorothy, program; and Robert Diener, year book.

The new officers will be installed at a catered luncheon at the clubhouse on June 7.

During Wednesday's meeting delegates to the convention were named. They are Mmes. Richard Dorothy and John Tweedy. Mrs. Ted Olson conducted the business meeting at which allocations of the club's charities were discussed.

It was also announced that on April 12 the Woman's Club will sponsor a "Thieves' Market." Luncheon will be served and there will be booths filled with arts and craft items for sale.

The program for the afternoon was a talk on "Narcotics" by a representative of the Torrance Police Department.

## Art, Music, Buffet, Boutique For Mexican Orphanages

When a little Mexican boy stole a loaf of bread eleven years ago, neither he nor the authorities could ever have imagined that the consequences would touch Torrance-Palos Verdes residents.

The story might never have been told in Southern California if it weren't for a young American priest, Father William Wasson, who befriended the youngster and saved him from jail. Soon word spread throughout the Mexican countryside — "The Padre Wasson takes in orphans" — and motherless ones were directed to his doorstep.

Today Father Wasson tries to support three orphanages housing 600 youngsters. His aim is to provide more than food and shelter. "We must do more than baby-sit. We must teach them, educate them to become valuable citizens of Mexico," he insists.

His zeal for the children's education so impressed the nuns at Palos Verdes Estates' Marymount College that they in turn interested the laity in the priest and his problems.

Less than two years ago the Palos Verdes Peninsula Friends of Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos was organized. Its members have sent every kind of aid to Father Wasson and his charges, and most importantly Dr. Andrew J. DePaolo, Rolling Hills Estates, set up a dental program. His patients had never seen a dentist or a toothbrush.

Dr. De Paolo donates his time and services but needs dental

equipment and materials to train some assistants. To finance dental clinics in the three orphanages, the peninsula group has set a Fiesta of Art for April 23.

Hostess for the event will be Mrs. Kelvin Cox Vanderlip, who will open the gardens and terrace of Portuguese Bend's historic Vanderlip mansion, the Villa, Narcissa, for the fete.

General co-chairmen are Dr. De Paolo's wife, Aileen, and Mrs. Francis L. Foley, Jr., Miraleste.

Two thousand invitations will be extended to the spectacular highlighting art, music, buffet and boutique.

Works by California's most exciting artists will be chosen for exhibitions by Ione Ransom, Rolling Hills Estates, assisted by Mmes. David Bradley, Eugene Dunn, Allan B. Macaller, all of Rolling Hills.

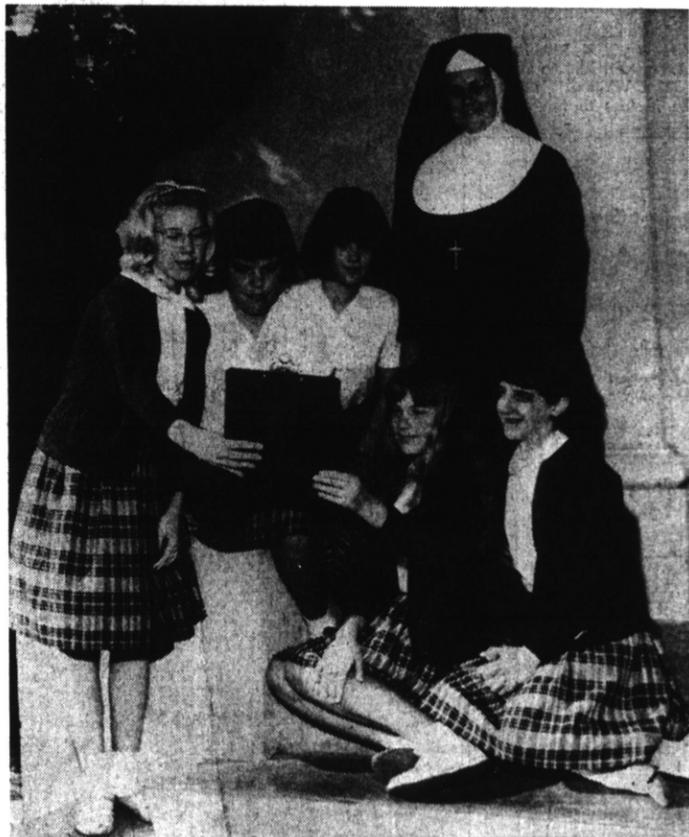
Residents desiring invitations may contact Mmes. James Kindelen, Leslie Summerfield, W. E. Cordero, all of San Pedro. Reservations may be made with Mmes. Robert Welsh or Edward Vierhelig, both of Rolling Hills Estates. Buffet and boutique chairmen are Mmes. John Lombardi, Thomas Shea.

Others holding key committee positions are Mmes. Ronald Heckman, Harold Euker, Thomas L. Montgomery, Daniel Logan, Casper Klee, John Bilich, Robert Christian Haase, Charles Kirsnis, Paul Sturdivant, Anthony J. Mosich, Kenneth Ward Smith and Norven B. McKean.



**FRIENDS OF NUESTROS PEQUEÑOS HERMANOS**

Portuguese Bend's historic Vanderlip mansion, the Villa Narcissa, will be the setting for a gala Festival of Art on April 23 presented by the Friends of Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos. Proceeds from the spectacular, which will feature art, music, buffet and boutique, will go to a young American priest Father Wasson, who supports three orphanages in Mexico, housing 600 youngsters. In a planning session in the villa gardens are, from left, Mrs. Andrew J. De Paolo, general chairman, Tony Bill, young English actor, one of the honorary chairmen; seated, Mrs. Kelvin Cox Vanderlip, hostess, and Mrs. Robert Welsh. (Holland/Swift Photo)



**YOUNG POETS HONORED**

Nativity School winners in the recent Poetry Contest sponsored by the Court St. Catherine Catholic Daughters are pictured here with Sister Mary Dennis, school principal. They are from left, Janice Hinton, Darlene Miller, Theresa Kerstiens, Sister Dennis, Barbara DeLapp and Laurene Connaughton.

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**AT DOUBLE BOILER POPCORN MACHINE**

Committee members of the Southwest Retarded Children's Association visit the double boiler popcorn machine, from the Shaw collection, as they make final plans for their benefit to be held tomorrow at Fashion Square. A puppet show will highlight the event and children will see the popcorn machine as well as an old street organ. Completing plans are Lester Foster, in the machine, Mrs. Joseph Kettering, left, and Mrs. LeRoy Forehand.

## Future Bride



**MARLENE CLIFFORD**

### Clifford - Anderson

At a family dinner party given recently by Mr. and Mrs. James B. Clifford, 2219 248th St., Lomita, the engagement of their daughter, Joyce Marlene, to Dean H. Anderson was announced.

The bride-elect, a 1964 graduate of Narbonne High School, is now a student at Harbor College, majoring in secretarial science. She is president of the Fashion Board and an active member of AWS. Miss Clifford is also employed by a Del Amo fashion shop.

Her fiancé, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Anderson of Torrance, was graduated from Davis High School in Utah in 1962. He attended Harbor College and is employed by the United States Steel Corp. in Torrance.

An early autumn wedding is being planned.

## Catholic Daughters

### Entertain Poetry Contest Winners

Winners in the annual Poetry Contest sponsored by Court St. Catherine, Catholic Daughters of America, were honored guests at the CDA meeting recently.

The contest is sponsored annually by the Catholic Daughters throughout the nation. Winners in the local court contest will be entered in the State Conference competition to be held in May and state winners will then be entered in national competition in July.

The local contest was open to students of Nativity School in Torrance and St. Margaret Mary School in Lomita.

Students reading their prize winning poems to the Catholic Daughters were Theresa Kerstiens, Janice Hinton, Barbara DeLapp, Laurene Connaughton, and Darlene Miller from Nativity School.

Winners from St. Margaret Mary's school were Ann Smith, Bryant Bushling and Michael St. Amand. The contest winners were accompanied to the meeting by their parents and their teachers.

They were presented with gifts by Mrs. Harold DeWan, poetry contest chairman.

Following the presentations, refreshments were served and a business meeting was held, conducted by Mrs. Louie Derouin, grand regent.

## Retarded Children's Benefit

### Vacation Treat For Youth

An Easter vacation treat is planned for the children of the community under the auspices of the Southwest Association for Retarded Children.

This trip into fantasyland will be held tomorrow, Thursday, March 23, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Bullock's Fashion Square.

The Popcorn Theater Puppets' performance will delight all ages. The tuneful marionette musicale, "The Invisible Hike," will take the audience on a trip with the puppets to a national park. The extravaganza features birds flying, a big black spider, and a three foot tall marionette which eats caterpillars, as well as a chorus of singing flowers and a "bad old witch."

The production is part of

the repertoire of Vivian and John Brunner and their son, Paris. All three write, direct and produce all segments of the project. The trio has gained wide recognition for their performances during the past three years. They were the only troupe selected to perform at the Los Angeles City Annual Festival of Arts.

Adding to the authenticity of the Popcorn Theater Puppets will be pieces from the famous Shaw collection, a double boiler popcorn machine and magnificent old street organ.

Tickets, at a nominal price, may be secured in Torrance from Mmes. Agnes Bowen, 1225 Madrid Ave., Connie Poiry, 5507 Calle Mayor, and Edith Kettering, 18301 Taylor Ct.